



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-65490-2024(O&M)
Date of Decision: 24.02.2025

AZAD @ AJAY
STATE OF PUNJAB

VERSUS

....Petitioner
....Respondent

CORAM : HON’BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANISHA BATRA

Present : Mr. Nandan Jindal, Advocate for the petitioner.
Ms. Ruchika Sabherwal, Sr. DAG, Punjab.
Mr. Vivek Singla, Advocate for the complainant.

MANISHA BATRA, J. (Oral)

The present petition has been filed under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 seeking anticipatory bail in FIR mentioned below:-

FIR No.	Dated	Police Station	Sections
0171	22.11.2024	City Fazilka, District Fazilka	333, 115(2), 118(1), 190, 191(3), 351(2), 351(3) of BNS, 2023

2. Vide order dated 02.01.2025 passed by this Court, the petitioner was ordered to be released on interim bail and was directed to join investigation.
3. Learned State counsel has submitted that during the course of investigation, the offences under Section 117(2) & 118(2) of BNS have been added. It is also submitted that the petitioner has joined the investigation on 06.01.2025.



4. At this stage, Memorandum of Appearance has been filed on behalf of the complainant. It is urged by learned counsel that there are serious allegations against the petitioner and offence under Section 118(2) of IPC has also been added, therefore, he does not deserve to be given concession of bail.

5. However, in view of the fact that petitioner has already joined the investigation and no specific injury has been attributed to him and there are simple allegations that he along with co-accused was present at the time of occurrence, I am of the considered opinion that in trial, incarceration of the petition is not required.

6. Keeping in view the above facts and circumstances, without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed and the order dated 02.01.2025 granting interim bail to the petitioner, is made absolute, subject to compliance of usual terms and conditions requisite for grant of anticipatory bail.

(MANISHA BATRA)
JUDGE

24.02.2025
Deepak Patwal

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| 1. | <i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i> | <i>Yes/No</i> |
| 2. | <i>Whether reportable</i> | <i>Yes/No</i> |